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Phil Isenberg, Chair Delta Vision Blue Ribbon Task Force 650 Capitol Mall Sacramento, CA 95814

Re: Comments on the Delta Vision Blue Ribbon Task Force's report titled Our Vision for the California Delta

## Dear Chair Isenberg:

As you know, NUMMi is the Toyota/GM venture in Fremont, California that employs over 5000 team members and produces approximately 400,000 vehicles per year. Also, NUMMI has attracted to California 23 affiliated major part supplying companies that employ a total of approximately 4000 additional team members. We appreciate the opportunity to share with you our comments relating to the Delta Vision Blue Ribbon Task Force's report titled *Our Vision for the California Delta* issued on December 17, 2007.

NUMMI sees environmental stewardship as a very high priority. Through its concerted voluntary efforts, NUMMI has been a model of conservation and environmental innovation over the years. Its systematic review of manufacturing processes has resulted in very high levels of source reduction, water conservation, energy conservation, recycling and the like. Along with all of its other environmental concerns, NUMMI is taking a strong interest in finding workable solutions to maintain a reliable water supply from the Delta while properly protecting the environment.

NUMMI would like to see California implement significant and timely improvements to the Delta which would preserve the integrity of its water supply and protect its ecology. Up to now, progress in implementing needed improvements has been slow. We believe that the balkanization of governmental responsibilities relating to Delta water may have been a significant drag on Delta improvement progress. For this reason, NUMMI agrees with Task Force's Delta Vision recommendation that Delta water related responsibilities be consolidated.

Thank you again for the opportunity to comment on *Our Vision for the California Delta*. If you would like to discuss our recommendation further, please contact our consultant, Tony Fisher, at 916.833.0723.

Sincerely,

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